



CONGRESSIONAL BUDGET OFFICE COST ESTIMATE

August 3, 2006

H.R. 3858 **Pets Evacuation and Transportation Standards Act of 2005**

*As ordered reported by the Senate Committee on Homeland Security
and Governmental Affairs on July 27, 2006*

CBO estimates that implementing H.R. 3858 would have no significant impact on the federal budget. This act would require states to consider the needs of individuals with household pets and service animals in their emergency preparedness plans. To be eligible to receive financial assistance for emergency preparedness under the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, states must submit annual emergency preparedness plans.

H.R. 3858 contains no intergovernmental or private-sector mandates as defined in the Unfunded Mandates Reform Act; any cost incurred by those governments would be a condition of receiving federal assistance.

On April 18, 2006, CBO transmitted a cost estimate for H.R. 3858 as ordered reported by the House Committee on Transportation and Infrastructure on April 5, 2006. The two versions of the legislation are identical, as are the CBO cost estimates.

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